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# United States Department of Agriculture,

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY.

## SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### REGULATIONS FOR THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS RESERVATION, ALASKA.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Commerce by the Executive order of March 3, 1913, and section 84 of the act of March 4, 1909 (35 Stat., 1088), and the act of April 21, 1910 (36 Stat., 327), the following regulations for the administration of the Aleutian Islands Reservation, created by said Executive order, are hereby adopted and ordered to take effect the 15th day of March, 1914.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seals of our respective departments to be affixed this 28th day of February, 1914.

[SEAL.]

D. F. HOUSTON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

[SEAL.]

WILLIAM C. REDFIELD,  
*Secretary of Commerce.*

### REGULATIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS RESERVATION, ALASKA.

1. In compliance with existing laws and to carry out the objects of the Executive order establishing the reservation, all matters relating to wild birds and game, and the propagation of reindeer and fur-bearing animals will be under the immediate jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture; all matters pertaining specifically to the fisheries and all aquatic life, and to the killing of fur-bearing animals, will be under the immediate jurisdiction of the Department of Commerce; and all matters other than those specifically mentioned above will be under the joint jurisdiction of the Departments of Agriculture and Commerce.

2. Persons residing within the limits of the reservation on March 3, 1913, will be permitted to continue to so reside, and to carry on any lawful business not interfering with the purposes of the reservation.

3. Residents of the reservation desiring to engage in commercial fishing, or the hunting, trapping, or propagation of fur-bearing animals or game animals, must first secure a permit to do so.

4. Anyone desiring to enter the reservation for the purpose of fishing, hunting, trapping or propagating fur-bearing animals or game animals, or engaging in commercial fishing, salmon canning, salmon salting, or otherwise curing or utilizing fish or other aquatic products, or for the purpose of engaging in any lawful business, must first obtain a permit to do so.

5. Whenever, in the propagation of fur-bearing animals, it shall be found to be necessary to kill such of these animals as interfere with the work of the Department of Agriculture in this behalf, they may be killed under the supervision of said department, and no permit will be required therefor.

6. *Fishery permits.*—Application for permission to engage in fishing or fishery operations should give full information on the following points: Name and permanent

address of the person or company desiring the permit; character of business proposed, whether fishing, canning, salting, or otherwise curing fish or other aquatic products; character and extent of proposed plant and its location: method and extent of the fishing proposed, place or places where fishing is to be carried on, and when active operations are to begin.

7. *Trapping and hunting permits.*—Applications for permission to engage in trapping, hunting or propagating fur-bearing animals or game animals should give the name of the person desiring the permit and the island or islands on which it is proposed to operate. At present no permits will be issued for trapping or hunting fur-bearing animals except to natives of the reservation.

8. *Permits to ship live foxes from the reservation.*—For the present no permits will be issued for capture and shipment of live foxes from the reservation, except domestic stock from established fox farms.

9. Permits to enter the reservation for the purpose of engaging in any business will be granted only when the department concerned is convinced that, by so doing, the objects for which the reservation was established will not be endangered thereby.

10. *Collecting permits.*—Permits to enter the reservation for the purpose of collecting birds, mammals, or other natural-history specimens for scientific purposes will be granted only to properly accredited representatives of the United States Government or agents of public museums.

11. *Reindeer and caribou.*—The killing of reindeer and caribou on any of the islands of the reservation is hereby prohibited except under special permit.

#### EXECUTIVE ORDER.

It is hereby ordered that all islands of the Aleutian chain, Alaska, including Unimak and Sannak Islands on the east, and extending to and including Attu Island on the west, be and the same are hereby reserved and set apart as a preserve and breeding ground for native birds, for the propagation of reindeer and fur-bearing animals, and for the encouragement and development of the fisheries. Jurisdiction over the wild birds and game and the propagation of reindeer and fur-bearing animals is hereby placed with the Department of Agriculture, and jurisdiction over the fisheries, seals, sea otter, cetaceans, and other aquatic species, is placed with the Department of Commerce and Labor.

It is unlawful for any person to kill any otter, mink, marten, sable or fur seal, or other fur-bearing animal within the limits of Alaska Territory, except under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor; and it is unlawful for any person to kill any game animals or birds in Alaska or ship such animals or birds out of Alaska except under the provisions of law and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Within the limits of this reservation it is unlawful for any person to hunt, trap, capture, willfully disturb or kill any bird of any kind whatever, or to take the eggs of any such bird, except under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Warning is expressly given to all persons not to commit any of the acts herein enumerated and which are prohibited by law.

The establishment of this reservation shall not interfere with the use of the islands for lighthouse, military or naval purposes, or with the extension of the work of the Bureau of Education on Unalaska and Atka Islands.

This reservation to be known as the Aleutian Islands Reservation.

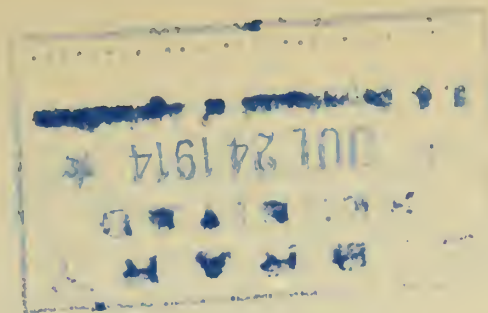
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# United States Department of Agriculture,

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY.

## SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF DEER, MOOSE, CARIBOU, SHEEP, AND MOUNTAIN GOATS IN ALASKA.

By virtue of the authority conferred on the Secretary of Agriculture by section 2 of the Alaska game law (35 Stat., 102), approved May 11, 1908, which in part provides

"That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized, whenever he shall deem it necessary for the preservation of game animals or birds, to make and publish rules and regulations prohibiting the sale of any game in any locality modifying the close season hereinbefore established, providing different close seasons for different parts of Alaska, placing further restrictions and limitations on the killing of such animals or birds in any given locality, or prohibiting killing entirely for a period not exceeding two years in such locality,

the following regulations are hereby promulgated, to take effect August 1, 1914:

#### REGULATION 1.

**Open season for deer.**—The season for killing deer in southeastern Alaska is hereby limited to the period from August 15 to November 1, both inclusive.

#### REGULATION 2.

**Limits.**—The number of deer killed by any one person during the open season in southeastern Alaska is hereby limited to six.

#### REGULATION 3.

**Sale.**—The sale of deer carcasses in southern Alaska is hereby suspended until August 1, 1915.

#### REGULATION 4.

**Killing deer on certain islands.**—The killing of deer on Kodiak Island and Long Island and the killing of deer on the following islands in southeastern Alaska: Duke Island, near Dixon Inlet;

Gravina Island, near Ketchikan; Kruzof Island, west of Sitka; Suemez Island, near Klawak; and Zarembo Island, near Wrangell, is hereby prohibited until August 1, 1916.

#### REGULATION 5.

**Kenai Peninsula.**—The killing of caribou on the Kenai Peninsula is hereby prohibited until August 1, 1916.

The shipment of carcasses of moose and sheep for sale, from Seward or other points on the Kenai Peninsula, is hereby prohibited, and no carcasses of said animals shall be accepted for shipment to other points in Alaska unless accompanied by affidavit of the owner that they were not purchased and are not intended for sale.

#### REGULATION 6.

**Open season for mountain goats.**—The season for killing mountain goats in southeastern Alaska is hereby limited to the period from August 1 to February 1, both inclusive.

The regulations of July 1, 1912, December 9, 1912, and July 23, 1913, for the protection of game in Alaska, are hereby revoked, effective August 1, 1914.

D. F. HOUSTON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 14, 1914.*

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## United States Department of Agriculture,

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HENRY W. HENSHAW, Chief of Bureau.

SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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### Proposed Amendments of the Regulations of October 1, 1913, for the Protection of Migratory Birds.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *June 27, 1914.*

Pursuant to the provisions of the act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 847), authorizing and directing the Department of Agriculture to adopt suitable regulations prescribing and fixing closed seasons for migratory game and insectivorous birds, regulations, copy of which is hereto annexed, amendatory of the regulations for the protection of migratory birds approved by the President of the United States October 1, 1913, have been prepared, are hereby made public, and are hereby proposed for adoption, after allowing a period of three months in which the same may be examined and considered. These regulations, as finally adopted, will become effective on or after October 1, 1914, whenever approved by the President.

Whenever deemed necessary public hearings on the proposed amendments will be held by the Department of Agriculture in Washington. Individuals and groups or associations of individuals who can not be represented in person may file petitions or briefs. Inquiries in reference thereto should be addressed to the Secretary of Agriculture.

D. F. HOUSTON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

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#### AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRA- TORY BIRDS.

Pursuant to the provisions of the act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 847), authorizing and directing the Department of Agriculture to adopt suitable regulations prescribing and fixing closed seasons for migratory game and insectivorous birds, having due regard to zones of temperature, breeding habits, and times and lines of migratory flight, the Department of Agriculture has adopted the following

regulations amendatory of the regulations for the protection of migratory birds approved and promulgated by the President of the United States on October 1, 1913:

**REGULATION 5. CLOSED SEASON ON CERTAIN NAVIGABLE RIVERS.**

Regulation 5 is amended to read as follows:

On and after January 1, 1915, a closed season shall continue between January 1 and December 31, both dates inclusive, of each year, on all migratory birds passing over or at rest on any of the waters of the main streams of the following navigable rivers, to wit: The Mississippi River, between Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Memphis, Tennessee; the Missouri River, between Bismarck, North Dakota, and Nebraska City, Nebraska; and on the killing or capture of any of such birds on or over the shores of any of said rivers, or at any point within the limits aforesaid, from any boat, raft, or other device, floating or otherwise, in or on any of such waters.

**REGULATION 8. CLOSED SEASONS IN ZONE NO. 1.**

Regulation 8. Closed seasons in zone No. 1, subtitle "Waterfowl," is amended so as to read as follows:

*Waterfowl.*—The closed season on waterfowl shall be between December 16 and September 1 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Massachusetts and Rhode Island the closed season shall be between January 1 and October 1.

In Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington the closed season shall be between January 16 and October 1.

In New Jersey the closed season shall be between February 1 and November 1.

In Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin the closed season shall be between December 1 and September 7.

**REGULATION 9. CLOSED SEASONS IN ZONE NO. 2.**

Regulation 9. Closed season in zone No. 2, subtitle "Waterfowl," is amended so as to read as follows:

*Waterfowl.*—The closed season on waterfowl shall be between January 16 and October 1 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana the closed season shall be between February 1 and November 1.

In Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina the closed season shall be between February 16 and November 20.

In Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma the closed season shall be between February 1 and September 15.

In Texas, Arizona, and California the closed season shall be between February 1 and October 15.





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HENRY W. HENSHAW, Chief of Bureau.

Explanation of the Proposed Changes in the Regulations for the  
Protection of Migratory Birds.

[Effective on or about October 1, 1914.]

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
*June 29, 1914.*

Amendment of regulation No. 5:

Regulation No. 5 relative to shooting on the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers is suspended for the season of 1914, thus affecting hunting in certain sections of 12 States. The advisory board recommends that hunting on these rivers be permitted whenever the States prohibit the use of motor boats in hunting waterfowl. As this will require legislation by Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, and one or two other States the regulation is suspended this year in order that the States may take action, if they so desire, at the next session of their respective legislatures which meet in January, 1915.

Amendment of regulations Nos. 8 and 9 relative to waterfowl seasons:

Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma are placed together in a special group, and on account of the peculiar local conditions are given an open season equal to that of the entire United States, except two weeks at the beginning of the season enjoyed by States adjoining the Canadian boundary, and two weeks at the end of the season allowed Florida and two adjoining Southern States.

The season in Texas is opened two weeks earlier than in other Gulf States in order to permit shooting in the northern part of the State. The discrepancy in the length of the season as compared with that of other Gulf States is due to the size of the State and the difficulty of meeting conditions in all sections with one set of regulations. The proposed change will afford some shooting in northern Texas without materially changing conditions in the southern part of the State.

The changes in each State are as follows:

*Connecticut.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is made to conform with that on Long Island and New York.

*District of Columbia.*—Open season November 1–February 1. The season is made to conform with that in Maryland and Virginia.

*Idaho.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is changed to conform with that in Utah, Washington, and Oregon.

*Kansas.*—Open season September 15–February 1. The season is made uniform with that in Missouri and Oklahoma, and is longer than that in other States.

*Massachusetts.*—Open season October 1–January 1. The opening date of the season is made two weeks later to conform with that in Connecticut and New York.

*Missouri.*—Open season September 15–February 1. The season is made uniform with that in Kansas and Oklahoma. The proposed season is one month longer than that in any other States in the Union and is equal to the open season in the entire United States, with the exception of two weeks at the beginning and two weeks at the end of the season.

*Nevada.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is made two weeks later to conform with that of Utah, Idaho, and Oregon, thus making a uniform season for the Great Basin States.

*New Mexico.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is made one month later to conform more nearly with conditions in adjoining States.

*New York.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is opened two weeks later and made uniform with that on Long Island and in Pennsylvania.

*Oklahoma.*—Open season September 15–February 1. The season is made uniform with that in Kansas and Missouri.

*Pennsylvania.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is made uniform with that in New York and West Virginia.

*Rhode Island.*—Open season October 1–January 1. The opening date is made the same as that in the adjoining States of Connecticut and Massachusetts.

*West Virginia.*—Open season October 1–January 16. The season is made one month later to conform with that in Pennsylvania and Kentucky.

*Texas.*—Open season October 15–February 1. The season is opened two weeks earlier to permit shooting in the northern part of the State.